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AGENTS FOR THE CHINA MAIL.

LONDON.—F. AGAR, 11 & 12, Clement's Lane, Lombard Street, E. C. GEORGE STREET & Co., 30, Cornhill, GORDON & GOTON, Ludgate Circus, E.C. BATES & CO., 37, Walbrook, E.C. SAMUEL DEACON & Co., 180 & 184, Leadenhall Street, W. M. WILLIAMS, 151, Cannon Street, E.C. ROBERT WATSON, 1, Fleet Street, E.C.

PARIS—M. AMEDEE POURCELLE,

Rue Lafitte, Paris.

NEW YORK.—J. STEWART HAPPER,

The Oliver Evangelist Office, 625 West 22d Street.

SAN FRANCISCO AND AMERICAN PORTS

generally.—BROWN & BLACK, San Francisco.

AUSTRALIA, TASMANIA, AND NEW ZEALAND.—Gordon & Goton, Melbourne and Sydney.

CEYLON.—W. M. SMITH & Co., The Apothecaries Co., Colombo.

SINGAPORE, STRAITS, &c.—SAVILE & Co., Square, Singapore. C. HEINZEN & Co., Manila.

CHINA.—Macao, F. A. de Cruz, Shantou, Quelch & Co., Amoy, N. Molloy, Foochow, Hedges & Co., Shanghai, LANE, CRAWFORD & Co., and KELLY & Co.

BANKS.

NOTES OF THE HONGKONG SAVINGS BANK.

1.—The business of the above Bank will be conducted by the Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation, on their premises in Hongkong. Business hours on week-days, 10 to 3; Saturdays, 10 to 1.

2.—Sum less than \$1, or more than \$250 at one time will not be received. No depositor may deposit more than \$2,500 in any one year.

3.—Depositors in the Savings' Bank having \$100 or more at their credit may at their option transfer the same to the Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation on fixed deposit for 12 months at 5 per cent. per annum interest.

4.—Interest at the rate of 3*1/2* per cent. per annum will be allowed to depositories on their daily balances.

5.—Each Depositor will be supplied gratis with a Pass-Book which must be presented with each payment or withdrawal. Depositors must not make any entries themselves in their Pass-Books but should send them to be written up at least twice a year, about the beginning of January and beginning of July.

6.—Correspondence as to the business of the Bank if marked on Hongkong Savings' Bank Business is forwarded free by the various British Post Offices in Hongkong and China.

7.—Withdrawals may be made on demand, but the personal attendance of the depositor or his duly appointed agent, and the production of his Pass-Book are necessary.

For the

HONGKONG & SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION,

G. E. NOBLE,

Chief Manager.

Hongkong, January 1, 1890.

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HONGKONG & SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.

PAID-UP CAPITAL.....\$7,500,000

RESERVE FUND.....\$4,610,000

RESERVE LIABILITY OF PROPRIETORS.....\$7,500,000

COURT OF DIRECTORS.

Chairman—H. L. DALRYMPLE, Esq.

Deputy Chairman—J. S. MOSES, Esq.

T. E. DAVIES, Esq.

W. H. FORBES, Esq.

H. HOPKINS, Esq.

Hon. J. J. KESWICK, Esq.

L. POENECKER, Esq.

Alex. McCONACHE, Esq.

C. R. SASSOON, Esq.

Chief Manager.

Hongkong, London and County Bank.

HONGKONG.

INTEREST ALLOWED.

On Current Deposit Account at the rate

of 2 per cent. per annum on the daily balance.

On Fixed Deposits:

For 3 months, 2 per cent. per annum.

" 6 " 5 per cent. "

" 12 " 5 per cent. "

LOCAL BILLS DISCOUNTED.

Credits granted on approved Securities

and every description of Banking and Exchange business transacted.

Drafts granted on London, and the chief Commercial places in Europe, India, Australia, America, China and Japan.

G. E. NOBLE,

Chief Manager.

Hongkong, April 3, 1890.

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Intimations.



TREASURY NOTICE.

The Rating Ordinance, 1888.

THE VALUATION LISTS for VICTORIA and THE HILL DISTRICT for 1890-91 are Open to inspection at the Treasury for twenty-one days commencing from MONDAY, the 1st May. Extracts may be taken. The Valuation will be in force from JULY 1st, 1890 to JUNE 30th, 1891.

The last day for appeal to the SUPREME COURT will be May 24th. Besides lodging a formal appeal in the Court, notice stating the grounds of such appeal must also be sent to the Assessor on or before that date.

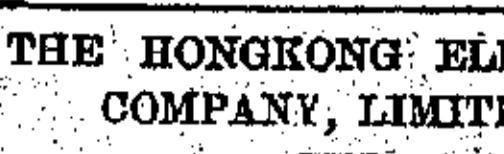
THE VALUATION LISTS for Kowloon and the Villages will be Open to inspection later on, of which due notice will be given.

Where the Valuation of any Tenement has been altered from that now in force, the Assessor has sent notice of such change to the Owner, if his address is known, or if not, to the Occupier, with a request that he will hand the same to the Owner. The omission to serve such notice does not invalidate the Rate, or form any excuse for not appealing against any Assessment within the prescribed time, i.e., May 25th to May 24th.

All Owners or Occupiers interested in ratable property should therefore inspect the Rate Book within this period.

PEAK CHURCH.

Intimations.



THE HONGKONG ELECTRIC COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE is hereby given that the first Ordinary General MEETING of SHAREHOLDERS in the above Company will be held at the HONGKONG HOTEL on SATURDAY, the 24th Instant, at Noon, for the purpose of presenting the Report of the Directors, and of receiving a Statement of Accounts for the year ended 31st December, 1889, and of passing a Resolution authorizing the Directors to issue a Dividend.

By Order of the Board of Directors,

CHAS. F. HALTON,

Acting Secretary.

Hongkong, May 8, 1890. 801

PEAK CHURCH.

THE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING OF PERSONS Interested in this CHURCH will be held on TUESDAY NEXT, the 13th Instant, at 4.30 p.m., at the REGISTRAR GENERAL'S OFFICE, for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Committee of Management, passing Accounts, and electing a New Committee for the ensuing year.

W. JENNINGS,

Hon. Sec. to the Committee.

Hongkong, May 8, 1890. 800

THE TRUST & LOAN COMPANY OF CHINA, JAPAN, AND THE STRAITS, LIMITED.

CAPITAL SUBSCRIBED.....£1,000,000

RESERVE FUND.....£40,000

BOARD OF DIRECTORS :

W. JESKIN (Messrs. Jardine, Matheson & Co.), Chairman.

AUGO VAN ANDRE (Messrs. Andrié, Mendel & Co.)

ERIK IVESON (Messrs. Iveson & Co.)

DAVID MCLEAN (Hongkong & Shanghai Banking Corporation).

W. WILLIAMSON (Messrs. Russell & Co.)

F. D. SASSOON (late Messrs. David Sassoon Sons & Co.)

D. R. STEWART (Messrs. Stewart, Thomson & Co.)

HONGKONG COMMITTEE :

W. H. FORBES (Messrs. Russell & Co.), Chairman.

HON. J. J. KESWICK (Messrs. Jardine, Matheson & Co.)

HON. C. P. CHATER

This Company is now prepared to make Loans or advances upon all kinds of Goods and upon approved Securities; and to transact the business provided for in the Memorandum of Association.

For information, terms of business, &c., apply to

DR. WESTLEY LAYTON,

Secretary,

Victoria Buildings, Queen's Road,

Hongkong, May 5, 1890. 802

EAST BORNEO PLANTING COMPANY, LIMITED.

THE KWOON KWAN YEEN CHAIL LENCE CUPS—Value \$200 and \$100 respectively. Also TWO CONSOLIDATION CUPS, value \$100 each.

The FIRST STAGE of the NINTH COMPETITION will take place NEXT SATURDAY, the 10th Instant, at 3.30 p.m., commencing at 300 Yards. Entrance Fee, 20 Cents.

A Launch will leave the P. & O. Wharf at 2.15 p.m., to take over intending Competitors.

The Second Stage will be shot off on Saturday, the 17th Instant.

C. VIVIAN LADDIS,

Hon. Secretary.

Hongkong, May 6, 1890. 803

THE PEAK HOTEL AND TRADING COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE is hereby given that the PEAK HOTEL AND TRADING COMPANY, LIMITED, will NOT, on or after the 1st day of May, 1890, be ANSWERABLE for PAYMENT OF ACCOUNTS, unless the orders for supplies so signed by the Secretary to the Company for the time being.

By Order of the Board of Directors,

J. WHEELBY,

Secretary.

Dated 21st April, 1890. 744

THE HONGKONG LAND INVESTMENT AND AGENCY COMPANY, LIMITED.

SUBSCRIBED CAPITAL.....\$5,000,000

PAID-UP CAPITAL.....2,600,000

RESERVE FUND.....1,250,000

Board of Directors:

HON. J. J. KESWICK,

Chairman,

HON. C. P. CHATER,

Managing Director,

LEE SING, Esq.

S. C. MICHAELSEN, Esq.

J. S. MOSES, Esq.

POON FONG, Esq.

D. R. SASSOON, Esq.

Bankers:

THE HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.

MONEY ADVANCED ON MORTGAGE,

ON LAND OR BUILDINGS;

PURCHASED AND SOLD.

Estates managed, and all kinds of Agency and Commission Business relating to Land, &c., conducted.

Full Particulars can be obtained at the Company's Offices, No. 5, Queen's Road Central.

A. SHELTON HOOPER,

Secretary.

Victoria Buildings,

Hongkong, May 3, 1890. 844

THE HONGKONG HIGH LEVEL TRAMWAY COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE is hereby given to Holders of SHARES in the above Company bearing the following Numbers:

424, 511/520, 581/585, 671/580, 611/520,

681/694, 717/725, 791/810, 861/890,

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To Let.

Notices to Consignees.

TO LET.
FROM 1st February next, Nos. 53, 55
and 57, PEEL STREET.

Apply to EDWARD GEORGE,
Hongkong, January 9, 1890. 58

TO LET—FULLY FURNISHED.

TOP FLOOR No. 1, BLUE BUILDINGS
for Two or Three Months during
Summer.

Apply Captain GARDNER,

Hongkong, May 5, 1890. 839

TO LET.

ONE Large ROOM on the Ground
Floor of No. 13, Praya Central,
Suitable for an Office.

Apply to G. C. ANDERSON,
13, Praya Central.

Hongkong, March 28, 1890. 674

FURNISHED OR UNFURNISHED.

(With Immediate Possession.)

A SIX-ROOMED HOUSE at the PEAK.
Apply to DENNYS & MOSSOP,
49 & 51, Queen's Road.

Hongkong, April 29, 1890. 337

TO LET.

1ST FLOOR of HOUSE, No. 15, PRAYA
CENTRAL.
2nd FLOOR of HOUSE, No. 64, QUEEN'S
Road, Central.

Apply to LAI HING & Co.,
No. 153, Queen's Road Central.

Hongkong, March 21, 1890. 529

TO LET.

N. O. 3, MORRISON HILL.
Entry, 1st June.

Apply to G. G. ANDERSON,
13, Praya Central.

Hongkong, April 22, 1890. 752

TO BE LET.

FIRST FLOOR of No. 3, BLUE
BUILDINGS—From 1st June.

Apply to THE HONGKONG LAND INVEST-
MENT & AGENCY CO., Ltd.

Victoria Building, Hongkong, April 29, 1890. 603

HONGKONG ICE COMPANY, LTD.

TO LET.

THAT Suite of OFFICES on the First
Floor of the Company's Premises in
ICE HOUSE LANE, at present occupied by
Messrs. Holiday, Wise & Co., with entrance from
Queen's Road, Possession from 1st
March next.

Also,
TWO GODOWNS on the Ground Floor
which can be let in conjunction with the
above Office, or separately as desired.

And
With immediate possession, ONE ROOM
suitable for an OFFICE, with entrance
from the South side of the Building.

For Full Particulars, apply to the MANA-
GER at the Dépot, or to
JARDINE, MATHESON & Co.,
General Managers.
Hongkong, January 27, 1890. 107

TO LET.

ROOMS in COLLEGE CHAMBERS,
No. 9, SEYMOUR TERRACE,
STONEHENGE, ROBINSON ROAD, from
1st May.

Apply to DAVID SASSOON, SONS & Co.

Hongkong, April 1, 1890. 93

TO LET.

A HOUSE in WEST TERRACE.
Immediate Entry.

Apply to G. C. ANDERSON,
13, Praya Central.

Hongkong, May 3, 1890. 591

Notices to Consignees.

GLEN LINE OF STEAM PACKETS.

FROM ANTWERP, LONDON, PENANG
AND SINGAPORE.

THE Steamship "Glenore" having
arrived from the above Ports, Con-
signees of Cargo by her and by the S.S.
"Aegean," from New York are hereby
informed that their Goods are being landed
at their risk into the Godowns of the Hon-
kong & Kowloon Wharf & Garage
Company, Limited, at Kowloon, whence
delivery may be obtained.

Optional Cargo will be forwarded unless
notice to the contrary be given before
10 a.m. To-day.

Cargo remaining undelivered after the
11th Instant will be subject to rent.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.

Consignees are requested to present all
Claims for damages and/or shortages not
later than the 10th Instant, otherwise they
will not be recognized.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by

JARDINE, MATHESON & Co.,
Agents.

Hongkong, May 5, 1890. 840

FROM HAMBURG, PENANG AND
SINGAPORE.

THE Steamship "Ocean," Capt. PETERSEN,
having arrived from the above Ports,
Consignees of Cargo are hereby requested to
send in their Bills of Lading for counter-
signature by the Undersigned, and to take
immediate delivery of their Goods from
the Godowns.

Optional Cargo will be forwarded unless
notice to the contrary be given before
Noon To-day, the 5th Instant.

Any Cargo impeding her discharge will
be landed into the Godowns of the Hon-
kong, Kowloon Wharf & Garage Co.,
Ldn.; and stored at Consignees' risk and
expense.

No Claims will be admitted after the
Goods have left the Godowns, and all Goods
remaining undelivered after the 10th Inst.
will be subject to rent.

All broken, chafed, and damaged Goods
are to be left in the Godowns, where they
will be examined on the 10th Inst., at 4 p.m.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.

SIEMSEN & Co.,
Agents.

Hongkong, May 5, 1890. 851

Notices to Consignees.

FROM SURABAYA, SAMARANG,
BATAVIA AND SINGAPORE.

THE Steamship "Almora" having arrived
from the above Ports, Consignees
of Cargo by her are hereby informed
that their Goods are being landed at their
risk into the Godowns of the Hon-
kong and Kowloon Wharf and Garage
Co., Ltd., at West Point, whence delivery may
be obtained.

Cargo remaining undelivered after the
14th Instant will be subject to rent.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.

Consignees are requested to present all
Claims for damages and/or shortages not
later than the 21st Instant, otherwise they
will not be recognized.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by

JARDINE, MATHESON & Co.,
Agents.

Hongkong, May 5, 1890. 852

Business Notices.

HONGKONG TRADING COMPANY, LTD.
(LATE THE HALL & HOLTZ CO-OPERATIVE COY., LTD.)

(+) SUMMER SEASON.

SPECIAL SHOW.

SUMMER SEASON.

HONGKONG TRADING COMPANY, LTD.
(LATE THE HALL & HOLTZ CO-OPERATIVE COY., LTD.)

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Vessels Advertised as Loading.

Destination.	Vessels.	Agents.	Date of Leaving.
Koed and Yokohama.	Afghan (s).	Adamson, Bell & Co.	May 16.
London & Poole of Call.	Dhame (s).	P. & O. S. N. Co.	May 15.
London.	Owick (s).	Arnold, Karburg & Co.	About May 16.
Manila, via Amoy.	Nanting (s).	Adamson, Bell & Co.	May 12, at 3 p.m.
Marsella, via Saigon.	Montauk (s).	Macpherson Martineau & Co.	May 22, at noon.
New York.	Patagonia.	Patagonia.	Quick despatch.
Port Darwin, via Sydney.	Daim (s).	Bassford & Swire.	May 10, at 4 p.m.
Port Moresby, v. Japan.	Port Moresby (s).	Pacific Mail & Co.	May 10, at 1 p.m.
Port Francisco, v. Japan.	Port Francisco (s).	O. & O. S. N. Co.	May 22, at 1 p.m.
Shanghai, via Amoy.	William H. Macy.	Russell & Co.	Quick despatch.
Shanghai.	Ningpo (s).	Siemsen & Co.	May 11, at 9 a.m.
Shanghai, via Amoy.	Rosita (s).	Batterfield & Swire.	May 12.
Shanghai, via Amoy.	Deputia (s).	Siemsen & Co.	May 12, at 10 a.m.
Shanghai, via Amoy.	Port Moresby (s).	Siemsen & Co.	May 12, at 11 a.m.
Shanghai, via Amoy.	Port Moresby (s).	Siemsen & Co.	May 12, at 12 m.
Shanghai, via Amoy.	Port Moresby (s).	Siemsen & Co.	May 12, at 1 p.m.
Shanghai, via Amoy.	Port Moresby (s).	Siemsen & Co.	May 12, at 2 p.m.
Shanghai, via Amoy.	Port Moresby (s).	Siemsen & Co.	May 12, at 3 p.m.
Shanghai, via Amoy.	Port Moresby (s).	Siemsen & Co.	May 12, at 4 p.m.
Shanghai, via Amoy.	Port Moresby (s).	Siemsen & Co.	May 12, at 5 p.m.
Shanghai, via Amoy.	Port Moresby (s).	Siemsen & Co.	May 12, at 6 p.m.
Shanghai, via Amoy.	Port Moresby (s).	Siemsen & Co.	May 12, at 7 p.m.
Shanghai, via Amoy.	Port Moresby (s).	Siemsen & Co.	May 12, at 8 p.m.
Shanghai, via Amoy.	Port Moresby (s).	Siemsen & Co.	May 12, at 9 p.m.
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Shanghai, via Amoy.	Port Moresby (s).	Siemsen & Co.	May 14, at 12 m.
Shanghai, via Amoy.	Port Moresby (s).	Siemsen & Co.	May 15, at 1 a.m.
Shanghai, via Amoy.	Port Moresby (s).	Siemsen & Co.	May 15, at 2 a.m.
Shanghai, via Amoy.	Port Moresby (s).	Siemsen & Co.	May 15, at 3 a.m.
Shanghai, via Amoy.	Port Moresby (s).	Siemsen & Co.	May 15, at 4 a.m.
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Shanghai, via Amoy.	Port Moresby (s).	Siemsen & Co.	May 15, at 11 a.m.
Shanghai, via Am			

Our morning contemporary says that the 60 cents charge for extra consumption of water is intended only as a semi-prohibitory charge to prevent waste in domestic use, and that there is provision in the Water Bill—for a special arrangement being made with regard to the price to be charged for non-domestic supply. That certainly was not the construction put on the Bill by Mr. Francis, Mr. Ede or Mr. Humphreys, when the measure was first discussed at the Sanitary Board. Mr. Humphreys especially protested against the attempt to charge manufacturers higher rates. There is undoubtedly provision for a special arrangement being made with manufacturers who may require a large supply of water, but the natural inference from what Mr. Chadwick said in his report, from what was said at the Sanitary Board and from the Bill itself, is that this arrangement would be on the principle of charging higher for extra consumption than for ordinary consumption. Mr. Chadwick, in his report, speaks of an ascending scale of charges. We thoroughly agree with our contemporary with regard to the inadvisability of making the Resident Engineer (Mr. Cooper) the Water Authority. But we understand that the words 'Resident Engineer' were inserted in the Bill, mainly on account of Mr. Francis' technical objection to the description of the Water Authority being given in such vague terms 'as any person or persons appointed by the Government.' Mr. Francis and his fellow members no doubt think that the Sanitary Board ought to be made the Water Authority, although they were too modest to give effect to that wish in the amended Bill. Mr. Francis, however, took some pains to point out that the Resident Engineer was only inserted as the Water Authority, for the sake of improving the form of the Bill, and relying on the provision of the last section of the Bill, which sets forth that 'It shall be lawful for the Governor in Legislative Council to transfer the duties and functions of the Water Authority from the Resident Engineer of the waterworks to any person or persons or body corporate.' He did not add 'The unofficial members of Council had better see that the Sanitary Board is made the Water Authority,' but we have no doubt these were his sentiments and the sentiment of the majority of the Board.

It would indeed be a great mistake to entrust such wide powers, as is given in the Bill, to the Water Authority, to a young officer, who although a very able and skilful engineer, has not been found necessary for the heads of such an office. The power to cut off the water on account of any contamination of the by-laws is far too wide and the sub-section dealing with this matter cannot surely have been carefully studied by the members of the Sanitary Board committee, for both Mr. Ede and Mr. Francis spoke agains the granting of arbitrary powers to cut off the water.

We learn from private advice that at the opening of the 'Hawkin Tea Season' there will be on the berth 5 steamers for London and 8 for Odessa. *Fowchow Echo.*

From a reliable source we learn that the markets up country have been opened at very low prices; sixteen thousand cash is the highest price paid for a picul while last year twenty-seven thousand cash was the lowest. The teas are reported to be of very superior quality all round.

The ss. *Haifong*, Captain F. D. Godard, which arrived in Amoy from Tamsui on the 3rd inst., reports:—Blowing very heavy gales with tremendous sea when left Tamsui, and after crossing the bar slowed engines and sailed vessel across and covered the distance under sail in the short time of 19 hours and 37 minutes. *Tippoo* racing R.N.E. of Palm Island and travelling towards the China Coast.

A CHINESE lady of high rank is staying at present at the Rectory, Chantay, with Miss Bradshaw, the rector's daughter, whom she accompanied him when he recently came to this country in the religious welfare of Chinese women. Through an interpreter she made a pretty and graceful speech the other night to an audience in the Chantay Parochial Hall. Fortunately we state—what we would gladly contradict—namely, that her feet are not more than three inches long. To think that such things should be seen in the land of Nara Creina!—*Daily Graphic.*

THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

A meeting of the Legislative Council was held this afternoon. There were present:—His Excellency the Officer Administering the Government, Hon. F. Fleming; Hon. W. M. Deane, Acting Colonial Secretary; Hon. W. M. Goodman, Attorney General; Hon. S. Brown, Surveyor General; Hon. N. G. Mitchell-Innes, Acting Registrar General; Hon. P. Ryrie; Hon. A. P. MacKwan; Hon. C. P. Chater; Hon. J. K. Creswick; Hon. Ho Kai, and Mr. F. A. Hazland, Acting Clerk of Counsel. Absent—Hon. A. Lester, Col. of Counsel.

REMONSTRANCE OF MR. J. BELL-IRVING.

His Excellency—I have to inform the Council that a few days ago I received a letter from Mr. John Bell-Irving, now in Europe, resigning his seat at this Council. When Mr. Bell-Irving left Mr. Keast was appointed to replace him during his absence. That absence having resulted in his resignation I have had much pleasure in proposing, provisionally, Mr. Kewick to the vacant seat, pending the approval of Her Majesty.

Mr. Keast then took the oath.

DOCUMENTS TABLED.

The Return of Superior and Subordinate Courts for 1889, and the annual Report of the Headmaster of Victoria College for 1889 were laid on the table.

THE CHINESE REGULATION ORDER.

The Colonial Secretary laid on the table a financial minute recommending a vote of \$6,000 for the improvement of the Chinese Recreation Ground.

His Excellency—Before this minute is actually referred to the Finance Committee, I wish to state that not long since I visited the Chinese Recreation Ground for the improvement of which this vote is now asked. I believe the original intention was that this vote should be

a pleasant resort for such as desired to make use of it, but from the opinion I have had of it since then I wish to place it in my memory to see if it is anything but at the present time. It is covered with shanties of all descriptions, and it seems to me in a most dangerous and neglected state. It is proposed to improve it by cleaning it up and by building round it a certain number of stalls and by giving it such protection, as may ensure it against those who are inclined to use it for any illegitimate ends. It is estimated that the sum of \$2,000 will be realized yearly by the rental of the stalls, for which only a moderate—*i.e.* may only a small amount will be asked. It is proposed that the \$2,000 shall be put aside each year in order to repay the \$6,000 now asked for, and that the remaining \$4,000 shall go in order to insure police protection in its surroundings. The scheme, I may say, was not one which originated with myself. I believe it is due to the Acting Colonial Secretary presiding over the Council.

The Chairman said the first vote to be brought before the Committee was that left over from last meeting, a vote of \$150 for house allowance to the comprador of the General Post Office. The Colonial Treasurer thought at last meeting that this money should be considered as salary instead of house allowance, but, after seeing the papers he had withdrawn that proposition and the vote now came before them as originally stated.

The vote was passed.

The next vote was that of \$6,000 for the improvement of the Chinese Recreation Ground.

Mr. Mitchell Innes said that shortly after he was appointed Acting Registrar General he found that the place known as the Chinese Recreation Ground had been monopolized by a crowd of hawkers who made a very good living out of it, and whose stalls encumbered the place, which was in a very filthy state.

He was, moreover, looked upon as a dangerous person on account of the crowds of blackguards who assembled there for the purpose of picking pockets and snatching earnings, which they could do with more chance of escaping the police than if they were in the street. It occurred to him that the place would be very much improved if all these hawkers and vendors whom the Chinese liked to have in the place were provided with stalls round three sides of the ground, and that if a rent of, say, \$25 per month were charged, the Government might be asked to vote to defray the cost of improving the place and putting up some 50 or 60 stalls, which sum it would be possible to pay back in the course of a few years.

His Excellency—I regret to have to ask the Council to vote this sum, but at the same time I believe, from the examinations that have been made, that it has been necessary.

It is a matter of regret that a building like Victoria College should so soon require such repairs as are contemplated by this vote.

The minute was referred to the Finance Committee.

A POST OFFICE VOTE.

The Colonial Secretary laid on the table a minute recommending a vote of \$3,000 for furniture and fittings for the Local Delivery Branch of the General Post Office.

The minute was referred to the Finance Committee.

THE LEAKY ROOF OF VICTORIA COLLEGE.

The Colonial Secretary laid on the table a minute recommending a vote of \$3,670 for the relaying of the lead roof of the Central Hall and staircase of Victoria College, it having been found to be in a very bad state and constantly leaking in several places.

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THE CRIMINAL STATISTICS FOR 1889.

The Colonial Secretary laid on the table a minute recommending a vote of \$2,000 as an addition to the sum of \$3,000 passed by the Council on 21st March last to meet the expenses connected with the visit of the Duke and Duchess of Connaught to the Colony.

Mr. Mitchell Innes—May I say that my attention was called yesterday to the recommendation of the members of the Royal Engineers who were employed in preparing the decorations. It was not brought to my notice till yesterday, but I believe their time when engaged in such work is usually paid for. As the matter has been brought to my notice I presume no claim for remuneration had been sent in.

The Surveyor General—My impression is that this item is already included. I wish it had been referred to me, but I have an impression—in fact I may say it is more than an impression—that this account has been sent in to the Government. Of course it is not part of the duty of any of my subordinates to communicate this fact to the Acting Registrar General.

His Excellency—I may say that I have heard the observations made by the Acting Registrar General, because I have been very particular in requesting that the latter should not be brought before the Council until we partially obtain what the sum required would be. It is some time now since the Duke and Duchess left the Colony, and certainly there has been time for the purpose of enabling people to send in accounts of what they think is owing to them. With reference to this matter I think it will be better to have it thoroughly examined before proceeding further, so that no extra vote may be required hereafter. Instead of referring it to the Finance Committee.

VOTES PASSED.

The Colonial Secretary laid on the table the report of the proceedings of the meeting of Finance Committee held on 20th April, and moved that the vote approved thereto be passed.

AGREE.

His Excellency, with reference to the vote for refunding an excess of assessment on two Chinese houses in Kowloon, said—I believe this vote is occasioned through some error in the valuation of this property. Such errors are very much to be regretted, and I hope they will not be made in future, because asking for refunds of this description would undoubtedly lead to an undesirable precedent. I may say I have examined the papers, and I think it is only fair that under the circumstances this refund should be made, but at the same time it is to a sine post that such mistakes will not occur in future.

BILLS READ.

The Patents Ordinance Amendment Bill and the Falsification of Accounts Bill were read the first time.

THE HONGKONG CODE OF CIVIL PROCEDURE.

The Attorney General moved the second reading of the Bill entitled an Ordinance to amend 'The Hongkong Code of Civil Procedure.' He said he resolved yesterday a letter from a gentleman connected with the law in this Colony not holding an official position, who suggested various other alterations in this Ordinance. He had not had time to fully consider these suggestions. He might explain, however, his reason for bringing forward this Bill in the present form. It seems by the Code as it stands there is a provision that a minute of every judgment whether final or interlocutory shall be made by the Registrar, and every such minute shall have the full force and effect of a decree of the Court, provided always that a formal decree may be ordered on the application of either party. The question had arisen whether, under this clause, if the Registrar was not in attendance and his clerk there located, a minute of a decree by the clerk would have the same validity as a minute by the Registrar. 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Pink Building Company. 500 \$ 710

Richmond Terrace Building Co. 100,000 \$ 100 20,200

Shanghai Land Company. 12,500 \$ 50 50 47, nom.

West Point Building Co., Limited. 12,500 \$ 50 50 47, nom.

TRAMWAYS.

HK High Level Tramways Co., Ltd. 1,200 \$ 100 all \$125

Jelbun Mining & Trading Co., Ltd. 4,500 \$ 5 all \$4

Punjon & Sungai Dua Samae Mining Co. 1,000 \$ 10 all \$10

Salamu Tin Mining Company. 15,000 \$ 5 5 233, sellers

8,000 Fcs. 50 Fa. 50 3275, nom.

PLANTING, ETC.